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Hon. Lewis J. Liman United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007 The parties' request for an adjournment is GRANTED. The conference previously scheduled for January 7 will be held on February 9, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Parties are directed to dial 888-251-2909 and use access code 2123101.

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LEWIS J. LIMAN United States District Judge **1/4/2021**

Re: Flores v. Decker, No. 20 Civ. 2422 (LJL)

Dear Judge Liman:

This Office represents the government in the above-referenced habeas action brought pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2241. As noted in the government's March 25, 2020 letter, *see* ECF No. 8, on that date U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") released the petitioner on an order of recognizance, in light of the totality of the circumstances including the unique circumstances presented by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Court has scheduled a conference on January 7, 2021. *See* ECF No. 10. I write respectfully on behalf of both parties to request that the Court adjourn the conference by approximately 30 days. Counsel for both parties are generally available for a rescheduled conference during the week of February 8, 2021.

The parties respectfully request the adjournment to allow them to pursue the possibility that the case may be resolved without further intervention of the Court, in light of current circumstances. Petitioner's counsel joins in this request.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this letter.

Respectfully submitted,

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